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AMBASSADOR SULLIVAN IS TOO MODEST. HE HAS ENTERED INTO WESTERN ASIAN INTRIGUES WITH ALL THE APLOMB GATHERED IN HIS YEARS IN THE INSCRUTABLE EAST. REGARDING THE SUGGESTION IN HIS LAST PARAGRAPH, I WOULD NOT FOR A MOMENT CONSIDER INTRUDING IN THE PRACTICE OF PERSIAN PERSIFLAGE. NOT ONLY DO I THINK WE HAVE DONE ALL WE COULD AND SHOULD ON THIS SUBJECT FOR A WHILE, BUT I THINK I SHOULD RESTRICT MYSELF TO BARGAINING WITH AFGHAN RUG MERCHANTS WHOSE DESIGNS MAY NOT BE AS INTRICATE AS THOSE IRANIAN BUT ARE MADE OF AT LEAST AS TOUGH WOOL.

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